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DAVE OBEE presents

"DECODING THE DASH - BUILD THE STORIES OF THEIR LIVES"



Grave markers often show the birth and death dates, with a dash in between the two dates. Those dates are usually the least interesting aspects of a person's life, because it is what is in between that counts. Lives are not measured by start and end dates; if so, they would have no meaning. This session uses examples to show what might happen when we start digging on the internet, on the standard family history sites and beyond, and then dive into records in archives and libraries. It is easier than ever to tell the stories of your ancestors' lives.

Dave Obee holds an honorary doctor of law degree awarded by the University of Victoria, British Columbia, in recognition of his work as a journalist, historian and genealogist. He is editor-in-chief of the Times Colonist newspaper in Victoria. He is author of *Destination Canada*, guide to Canadian immigration records, and *Counting Canada*, guide to Canadian census records. He is a co-author of *Finding Your Canadian Ancestors: A Beginner's Guide*, and author of *The Library Book: A History of Service to British Columbia*, and *Making the News*. Dave has given more than 600 talks at genealogy conferences and seminars since 1997. He runs CanGenealogy, a Canadian link site, and Volhynia.com, for those with German ancestry in the northwest corner of Ukraine. Dave served as president of the Federation of East European Family History Societies (FEEFHS) from 2004 through 2007.

All are invited to join us for this free educational program.

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 on ZOOM 1:00 pm - sign on 10 mins. early

If you would like to invite a friend to attend, contact Nedra (tuzigoot999@gmail.com) with their name and email address by April 18th. An email zoom invitation is needed to attend.